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Appeal to The Burghers

The Kruonstad Peace Commission Urges Boers to Surrender and Accept Britain's Terms.

Additional Mounted Men Wanted For South Africa—Second Contingent at Halifax.

London, Jan. 8.—Lord Raglan, under secretary of state for war, who was interviewed today by a representative of the Associated Press regarding the curious trend of events in South Africa and the possibilities of peace, and the action the war office is taking to mend matters, said:

"The condition of affairs in South Africa absolutely forbids prophesy. You cannot call it war, yet in some respects this is worse than war. It is well nigh impossible to fight in the ordinary way against a people who have no uniforms. For a week, perhaps for a month, a Boer goes out to fight. Then he says: 'I am sick of this,' buries his gun and becomes in all respects a peaceable farmer. Yet the very next week the spirit moves him, and he digs up the gun and rejoins the commando. It is terribly hard to deal equitably with such a character. The secret of the whole thing consists in horses. We have enough men there, but not enough mounted men."

The case of Major-General Sir Henry Colville, whose resignation was asked by the war office, owing to the Lindsey affair, has been left in the hands of Lord Roberts. There is no disposition on the part of the war office to recede from the position it has taken up. In fact whatever Lord Roberts may decide, Gen. Colville will be severely overhauled for a breach of the regulations in discussing the matter with the press.

The selection of a commander-in-chief for India and for Canada has also been referred to Lord Roberts.

Obstacles to Peace.

Capetown, Jan. 8.—The central peace commission at Kruonstad has issued a circular in the course of which it says: "The time has arrived for the inhabitants of Orange River Colony to make an effort to save their country from further destruction. The country is literally a vast wilderness. The farmers, ruined and facing starvation, are obliged to go to the towns for protection, and huge refugee camps have been formed by the British for them. This misery is caused by an obstinate minority, who will not bow to the inevitable."

The circular points out that the British will never restore independence to the republics and annex upon the burghers the duty of surrendering and accepting the terms offered. The recent Afrikaner congress at Worcester is criticized in the circular as misleading the Boers and giving false impressions. In conclusion, the committee says:

"The British government is willing to settle matters in a way not ungenerous or humiliating to us. We appeal to you to appoint another congress and to nominate men of influence to visit Mr. Steyn and Gen. Dewet and try to persuade them to accept the terms Great Britain offers."

"These two men are the only obstacles to peace. We ask you to believe us when we say that Mr. Kruger and the late Transvaal government are willing and would have already accepted the British terms, but Mr. Steyn has refused to have anything to do with it. He has continued and has encouraged the burghers with a hope that we would get European assistance. To-day he is cut off from all communication with the outside world. You know, and we know, how unfounded that hope is. It is your duty to assist us to make him understand this. We appeal to you to end the unhappy state of affairs, which is plunging everybody into poverty and despair. We appeal to you because we know you are able to assist us in the right manner."

The committee includes W. E. Sevel, late assistant chief commandant; three members of the volksraad and two justices of the peace.

It is reported that the Boers have reached Sutherland, and are within 20 miles of the village of Piquetberg. The country around Kimberley is being cleared of people, live stock and food stuffs. A commando of 1500 looted a cattle farm seven miles from Kimberley. It is reported that all residents of Vryburg who are unable to supply themselves with provisions for two months must be brought south.

Second Contingent Arrives.

Halifax, Jan. 8.—Steamship Toulon Castle, with the second Canadian contingent on board, arrived at 7.45 this evening. The steaming will not leave quarantine grounds until 8 o'clock tomorrow morning. The men will leave in the afternoon for home, after Halifax has given them a welcome.

Two deaths occurred on the voyage. Lieut. Sutton, of Toronto, and Sergt. Inglis, of Winnipeg. Mrs. Sutton was among those who went down on the tug to meet the steamer, totally unaware of her husband's death. Sutton died on Sunday's morning. Inglis died two days after leaving Capetown. The remainder are in good health.

Many Willings.

Windsor, Jan. 8.—So many have applied to Lieut.-Col. Gilet for service in

South Africa that he has decided to restrict enlistment to members of the 21st Regiment, should the government decide to send any.

ALL ATTEMPTS FAILED.

Steamer Stranded During Gale and Efforts to Rescue Those Aboard Have Been Unsuccessful.

Marseilles, Jan. 8.—A terrible disaster threatens the steamer *Russie*, from Oran, which stranded yesterday on the coast near the village of Farman, during a violent storm, with 50 passengers and a crew of 40 on board. She has keeled to the starboard, and the waves are sweeping over her.

Desperate attempts to rescue her crew by lifeboats and steam tugs were made yesterday and have been repeated to-day, but thus far the rough seas have prevented every effort to approach her.

The wind is blowing a hurricane, with no signs of abatement. A great crowd is assembled along the shore, anxiously watching the endeavors to communicate with those on board the doomed ship, which is bumping heavily, the seas dashing over her. Rockets have been fired, but each time the line has fallen short.

Rear-Admiral Besson, naval prefect of Marseilles, has telegraphed to Toulon for the dispatch of the powerful tug *Travailleur* to the scene immediately.

THE GOLD STANDARD.

Washington, Jan. 8.—Representative Overstreet, of Indiana, who had charge of the gold standard bill in the house, introduced to-day a bill "to maintain the parity of money of the United States." This measure seeks further to strengthen the gold standard and insure the continued parity of gold and silver, by providing for their exchange ability at the treasury.

The bill provides that all gold and silver coins of the United States, except subsidiary coins, shall be exchangeable for each other at par at the treasury of the United States at the demand of the holder. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act, the secretary of the treasury may employ any part of the reserve fund, gold coin and bullion, established by Sec. 2 of the Act of March 14th, 1900, entitled "An Act to define the value of the gold and silver coins of the United States and to maintain the parity of all forms of money issued or coined by the United States to refund the public debt and for other purposes," and money received in exchange for gold or silver under the provisions of this act shall be held in said reserve fund and not paid out except in the manner provided by the United States in said Sec. 2 of the Act of March 14th, 1900.

SECOND LIEUTENANTS.

Ottawa, Jan. 8.—The following seven Canadians nominated by Lord Minto have been appointed second lieutenants in Imperial regiments: R. Wood, in Royal Warwickshire Regiment; E. E. Leach, in King's Regiment, Liverpool; A. Putler, in Norfolk Regiment; R. Cockburn, in Suffolk Regiment; J. H. Dwyer, in East Lancashire Regiment; W. R. H. Dann, in Manchester Regiment; A. N. Bredin, in Prince of Wales Leinster Regiment.

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TO PACIFY SOUTH AFRICA

Imperial Government's Plans Outlined by Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, Secretary For the Colonies.

CIVIL ADMINISTRATION IN VIEW

Guerilla War Must Be Finished Before Anything Else Can Be Done—Equal Law and Equal Liberty Will Be Established.

Following is an extended report of Mr. Chamberlain's speech in the Imperial House of Commons outlining the government's plans for the pacification of South Africa:

Mr. Chamberlain, who was received with ministerial cheers, said: The subject is undoubtedly one of the greatest and most urgent importance. I do not think anything could more worthily occupy the attention of the house and I congratulate that for a time, at any rate, we have emerged from those strictly party and personal controversies in which we have hitherto been engaged. (Hear, hear.) If anything could prove that to the house, it would be the extremely moderate tone which has been taken by the two hon. members in the debate. I must ask the indulgence of the house, because I have taken upon myself a duty which I am not entirely qualified to fulfil. In dealing with the state of South Africa, it must be borne in mind that the portion of South Africa of which we are speaking has been under military administration, and therefore all the reports with regard to its administration have gone to the war office.

Object of the Amendment.

Why has this resolution been moved? It must be admitted by everybody that it is a colorless resolution. It expresses a platonic desire that certain intentions should be announced which both hon. gentlemen have been good enough to ascribe to the government. There is nothing in the proposals which we are not prepared in substance to accept. (Ministerial cheers.) We have announced them in proclamations which have been issued by Lord Roberts, and we have also announced them in the statements made in the country by responsible ministers, and, again, last night we announced them in the speech of the first lord of the treasury. (Hear, hear.) I hope that I may be able to add something to the fulness of those announcements. I cannot alter in the slightest degree their spirit, which is substantially the spirit of the amendment. (Hear, hear.) I am, however, obliged to ask myself, will the future of this debate be conducted on exactly the same lines as those upon which the two hon. gentlemen who have just addressed the house proceeded? I cannot conceal from myself the fact that there are still, as there were in the last parliament, three different sections of opinion in the opposition. There is the opinion of those who hold that the war was unjust, and that now the only remedy for the evils which we all deplore is the restoration of the independence of the two countries. I agree with the hon. member for Oldham that that party is less numerous now than it was before the election, and that it is probably still less numerous in the country in proportion than it is in this house. I agree with him that it is only a small fraction in the country, at any rate, who would consider for a moment a proposal to restore the independence of these two countries, and under those circumstances it would be a waste of words to deal with that side of the question. There is another section which certainly takes a much stronger view of the situation than the two hon. gentlemen. The view of that section is that annexation must now take place and be considered as an accomplished fact, but that we ought immediately to establish self-government in the annexed colonies on the lines of our self-governing colonies. If they do not go quite as far as that, they go as far as the hon. member who has just spoken, and that the time should be more clearly indicated when there will be extended to these populations the principle of self-government prevailing in our self-governing colonies. That is to say, we are to be called upon now at this moment to declare at what time we consider full self-government can be accorded to these colonies. The government think that it is impossible for reasonable men to ask us to fix any time to-day when full self-government can be granted. (Ministerial cheers.)

Three Definite Objects.

But we are prepared to lay down three definite objects as the main principal objects of the government. They must be carried out successively. One stage must be concluded before we can possibly commence the second—(hear, hear)—and so on with the third. In the first place, we want to put an end to this guerilla warfare. It is warfare of the most unsatisfactory and most unprofitable kind. (Hear, hear.) No one is benefited by it. Lives are lost, the country is being ruined, and the future of the country is being damaged. I am prepared to admit that we are face to face with the possibility of something like a famine in consequence of the destruction caused not merely by military operations, on our part, but also, and I think much more so, by the

operations of the Boers themselves. (Ministerial cheers.) In many cases the Boers have treated their own countrymen who have returned to their farms on parole with what I call nothing less than barbarous cruelty. (Ministerial cheers.) It would not surprise me to find when we come to sum up the results of the operations that the Boers have burnt more farms than we have. (Hear, hear.) That is a most distressing and depressing state of affairs. A number of men are now being led by leaders of such distinction, of known courage and character, as Generals De Wet, Botha, Delarey and Viljoen. There are also a large number of mercenaries, chiefly foreigners, and a certain number of Cape rebels, who are in small bands going about the country sapping its life. (Hear, hear.)

It is often said that the natives of the country, (Hear, hear.) The question is, how are we going to deal with this state of things? According to the proclamation of Lord Roberts, whose humanity is proverbial—(cheers)—cattle taken under his proclamation have to be paid for by the troops, or by all the reports with regard to its administration have gone to the war office. We say there must be an intermediate stage, which, for the sake of giving it a name, we call a Crown Colony government. Everybody knows there are most different kinds of Crown Colony governments, and our view is there must be a pacification—I won't say an absolutely complete but a much greater pacification of the country than has yet taken place. Then must come the Crown Colony government, which really means a civil as opposed to a military administration, and only after that has been tried can self-government be adopted. As regards the military administration, we are prepared to make all allowance for the difficulties under which these countries have been governed by the officers who have been appointed to these posts.

Civil Administration.

We want, however, to substitute civil administration as quickly as possible. (Cheers.) I am almost afraid of saying anything about the time at which this can be accomplished, because of the difficulties. It is not well to prophesy under such circumstances. (Cheers.) Perhaps it will be safe if I say that I hope very shortly indeed before the House meets again that something in the nature of civil administration may have been established, both in the Transvaal and the Orange River Colony. (Cheers.) As to the general lines of that administration there is no secret. The government are prepared to give all the information in their power. The matter is still the subject of constant telegrams and dispatches, and there are a great number of details which can only be settled after the framework has been created, but it is our intention to recommend to Her Majesty to appoint Sir Alfred Milner—(Ministerial cheers)—as Governor of the two colonies.

Captain Pirk—A New South Africa.

(Laughter.) Mr. Chamberlain—We propose to appoint a Lieutenant-Governor for the Orange River Colony. We propose that both the Governor and the Lieutenant-Governor shall have the assistance of an executive council, to consist of all events of the principal officers of the government. We do not propose that the members of the Orange River Colony should necessarily be the same as the constitution of the Transvaal Colony, either at starting or necessarily at any intermediate future. Each will be dealt with upon its merits and dealt with separately, and we think it possible that an earlier beginning of greater political liberty may be made in the Orange River Colony than in the Transvaal Colony. That is due to the fact that the government of the Orange River Colony previous to the war was by common consent a very good government. (Cheers.) Accordingly we shall find there probably the means of creating a satisfactory administration more quickly than we shall do in the case of the Transvaal.

Creation of Municipalities.

To one point we attach the utmost importance, and that is that we shall press for the earliest creation of municipalities. We propose there shall be a municipal government for Pretoria, Bloemfontein, Johannesburg and probably for some other centres, and to those we hope to be able to delegate all the powers usually delegated to local authorities. (Cheers.) Beyond that it is impossible for me to go at the present moment so far as details are concerned.

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Mr. Chamberlain—Sir A. Milner is High Commissioner, and he will hold that office in addition to that of Governor of the two colonies. (Cheers.) That is all I can say in detail, and I think it is all the House can fairly or reasonably expect under the circumstances. (Ministerial cheers.) But what I wish to assure both sides of the House

only point with regard to the military and political leaders is that they must inquire beforehand what terms would be granted, and they are not necessary and automatically included in the terms for the burghers. For that there is sufficient reason. The cases of these men, and these leaders, are quite different. There may be cases undoubtedly in which it would not be safe or desirable for them to remain in the country, while there are other cases no doubt in which every possible liberty would be extended.

Compensation.

The hon. gentleman suggested that we should promise the Boers compensation for farms destroyed for military purposes. But we should then be giving to them a great deal more than should be given to our own subjects. Up to the present time the government has repudiated any liability whatever for any damages done to property of British subjects in the Transvaal or the Orange River Colony. If we repudiate compensation to British subjects whose property has been destroyed or damaged during the war, either by the Boers or our own military operations, we cannot offer it to those who have been in arms against us. (Ministerial cheers.)

The hon. gentleman said that when we come into full and peaceful possession of the country we shall find ourselves face to face with an "economic crisis." I hope the hon. gentleman is pessimistic in that view, but if it were to be so, it would undoubtedly be the case of the government of those colonies to deal with it. (Ministerial cheers.) They must deal with it out of the funds of the colonies and not out of the pockets of the British taxpayers. (Hear, hear.) Undoubtedly whenever the civil administration is established, the financial and fiscal part of its labors will be amongst its most important work.

Sir William Harcourt—Hear, hear. Mr. Chamberlain—The right hon. gentleman cheers, but what does he mean? He is one of those who has stated, and probably truly, that there is great wealth in the Transvaal. If so, there is a great source of taxation—(Opposition cheers and laughter)—and in that case it would not be such a bad position after all, and the country may in a short time pay its way, even although it has to do something to meet an economic crisis. (Ministerial cheers.) The hon. gentleman (Mr. Trevelyan) complained that the government relied too much on military force. I do not think that is the case. Our first object, however, should be to get rid of the military administration.

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is that the principle by which we shall be governed in connection with this administration is the necessity—the desirability of course—to consult local opinion as far as that is possible, to disturb as little as possible anything in the nature of local custom, or local law, or local practice. (Cheers.) So far as we can we shall be guided by the desire to leave things as far as possible, especially in the Orange River Colony, as they were. In the Transvaal, of course, we shall have to make very great alterations in connection with the complaints which were originally the cause of the war, but in further pursuance of this policy we admit it to be our duty, wherever we can with safety to the states and with proper consideration for the real interests of the population, to appoint Afrikaners to all posts in the administration. (Cheers.)

I mean that the white population there shall be, as far as possible, the stone on which we draw for our local administration. (Cheers.) In these circumstances I believe that we can promise that there shall be throughout South Africa equal law, equal liberty—not, indeed, political independence, for in the first instance that must be more restricted in these two colonies than it is in the colonies of the Cape and Natal—but liberty, and constitution leading ultimately to the self-government which we all desire to see established as soon as possible. (Cheers.)

Pacificatory Proclamation Going Out.

Hon. gentlemen have suggested, very reasonably I think, that these intentions of ours, both with regard to the immediate pacification of the country—the terms that might be offered to those now in the field—against us—and also with regard to the future character of the government of the country, should be promulgated among the Boers. (Hear, hear.) I entirely agree. I must say I believe that that has been done. I was almost going to say I am afraid it has been done, because, if it had been done, it leaves us no opportunity for doing more. The House will remember that Lord Roberts allowed various people to go up to see General Botha and General Dewet, and acquaint them with the terms that he was going to record. On one occasion, I believe, Mrs. Botha herself, who, I believe, is now enjoying British hospitality at Pretoria, and who at that time was enjoying the hospitality of Lord Roberts, was the channel of communication. At another time it was Mrs. Joubert, and at another time a gentleman of Boer origin, who was supposed to have influence with these leaders. If we can do anything more in this direction we are willing to do it. I confess, for my part, I am not satisfied not to try—(cheers)—and therefore I have already communicated with Sir Alfred Milner, suggesting a form of proclamation and asking for his opinion about it; suggesting also that this proclamation should be printed, not only in English and Dutch, as previous proclamations have been, but in the local patois language, which is the only one that many of the Boers understand, and asking also for suggestions as to the people who would be likely to have most reasonable influence with the Boer leaders. I can assure the House, on the part of the government, that nothing will be wanting on our part.

Our Brave Foes.

We entertain absolutely no vindictive feelings whatever—(cheers)—towards the men who have been in arms against us. We recognize that so far as the great majority of them are concerned they have carried on the war with the greatest distinction in respect to personal gallantry, and also that they have shown the greatest consideration for the wounded and prisoners who have fallen into their hands. (Cheers.) There have been exceptions—I do not want to dwell upon them—but, speaking of the great mass, we do not complain at all of the way in which they have carried on the war. They are brave foes; they should be treated as brave foes, and it is in that spirit that we should approach them. (Cheers.) I should be sorry to see a division taken on the amendment now before the House. (Ministerial cheers.) I see no difference between us, so far as intention, at any rate, is concerned, and I should be sorry that there should be any appearance of a difference of opinion in regard to such an important matter. (Hear, hear.) I hope the suggestion will commend itself to members opposite, now that they have elicited, if not an entirely satisfactory explanation, at all events a perfectly frank and candid one. (Ministerial cheers.) And that they will be glad to admit that so far as our desires go, there is very little difference between the two sides of the House. (Renewed cheers.)

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Guardians Of the Peace

Police Chief Submits Recommendations Regarding the Interior Economy of Force.

Gratifying Condition of Affairs in Connection With Body Under His Command.

At a meeting of the police commission of the city yesterday, a petition was received from the members asking for the restoration of their salaries to the figures obtaining before the reduction during the hard times which prevailed a few years ago. Action on the matter was deferred.

Reports were submitted from the chief showing the following statistics for the year:

Number of arrests 589
Persons given in charge 14
Summons issued 285
Total 888
Unsound mind 15
Detention 187

Total 1,000
The efficient condition of the force under the direction of Chief Langley was the subject of complimentary notice by the members of the board, who expressed the liveliest satisfaction with the manner in which he had carried out his duties. His report was as follows:

Victoria, January 8, 1901.
The Chairman and Board of Police Commissioners, City of Victoria, B. C.

Gentlemen:—I have the honor to submit to you my first annual report of the police department of the city of Victoria, B. C. On taking charge of this department on the 2nd of January, 1900, I found it to consist of 1 chief, 2 sergeants, 15 patrolmen and 6 constables, and 2 detectives.

On investigation, I found that the force was inadequate, so on my recommendation to your honorable board, the force was increased as suggested, making it to consist of 1 chief, 3 sergeants, 15 patrolmen and 6 constables, and 2 detectives.

During the year there has been considerable sickness amongst the force, and at the present time, I am pleased to report they are in good health.

My recommendation for a separate room for the detectives has been carried out, which has been a great benefit to them, also the following improvements have been made in the police station: I added cell on the main floor, and all windows in the cells have been covered with wire screens.

A new style of uniform for the force has been adopted, which greatly improves the appearance of the patrolmen. The summer uniforms are of a light blue serge, and the winter uniforms have been made from a heavy blue serge, lined with worsted goods, which are more satisfactory and lasting than the blue serge formerly used.

I am pleased to state that no complaints have been made against the officers or men who have attended to their duties faithfully, and since the cheap fares have existed, the number of complaints has been considerably reduced, and the entire force has put in considerable extra time to prevent the increase of crime.

I beg to recommend the following improvements to be carried out:—That a special officer be employed at the police station during the summer months, so as not to reduce the force in the city.

That the room adjoining the police barracks over the old fire hall be added to the barracks for the comfort of the men when off duty; that separate lockers be placed in the room for men to put their uniforms and equipment in when off duty; also that connections be made to the bath in their quarters.

In a previous report to your honorable board, I spoke of a one-horse patrol wagon, which I consider a necessity; it could be placed in the old fire hall, alongside the police station; the call man of duty could attend to the same and drive it, thus enabling him to proceed with greater dispatch when called from a distance; also the wagon could be provided with a stretcher, and act as an emergency ambulance in cases of serious accidents; the cost of keep would not be much more than we are paying at the present time for hire of hacks, etc.

That two large cells be erected at the rear of the police station, in the yard, as during the past few months we have been greatly overcrowded, prisoners having to lie in the hallway, and it is not safe for the jailer to enter with so many loose prisoners about, as he visits the cells every half hour.

I am pleased to report that only one case of a serious nature has occurred during the past year, that being an indecent assault upon a little girl of five years. The offender, a foreigner, who had only been five days in the city, was arrested, convicted, and sent to the police station.

There has been a considerable increase of drunkenness through the past year over that of the previous year.

Bicycles to the number of 54 were found on the streets at night by the police and turned over to the owners.

The number of complaints received at the police station and investigated by the police and detectives during the year was 776.

Police court fines for the year 1900, \$5,286.25; Police court fines for the year 1899, \$2,275.00; Increase over 1899 3,010.25

The detailed account of offences committed and the detective's report are herewith submitted to your honorable board.

I have the honor to be, sir, your obedient servant,
J. M. LANGLEY,
Chief of Police.

Detective Palmer reported for his department of the force as follows:
City Detectives' Office,
Victoria, B. C., Jan. 8, 1901.

J. M. Langley, Chief of Police, City of Victoria, B. C.:
Sir:—I most respectfully beg to submit the following for your consideration: For the year ending December 31, 1900, crimes of a very grave nature have been in the minority the most serious being the following:

apartment, and on his intended victim waking up, he threw him to a lower floor, a distance of ten or twelve feet. Fay was arrested and sentenced to three years in the penitentiary.

Another being the case of Dominio Marovich, who in October last, lured a girl of five years of age into an empty house, as she was returning from school, and committed an indecent assault upon her; he was arrested, convicted, and sentenced to two years' imprisonment. Both these men were strangers, and in the case of Fay it was afterwards ascertained that he was an alien.

Until the middle of November last a fair percentage of property stolen was recovered, but on the 16th of that month a robbery at Blyth's Jewellery store, Port street, followed at short intervals by two smaller robberies, went undetected. Every endeavor was made to locate the culprits and recover any stolen property. All outgoing and incoming trains and steamers were watched, suspicious persons searched, the various hotels and lodging houses investigated, the police of the neighboring cities communicated with, which resulted in one instance in the police of one of the Sound cities arresting a notorious burglar whom we knew to have been here at the time of the Blyth affair. Our non-success in these particular cases is doubtless attributable to the cover provided criminals by the sudden influx in the population which invariably takes place in the fall of the year. Since then there have been numerous cases of stealing and possession of stolen property before the court, also several cases of vagrancy, besides scores of suspicious persons who have been driven from the city at this and other times throughout the year.

Other cases occurring within the year were: "Robbing a man," "Robbing a woman," with the exception, perhaps, of the Brooks and Matthy case, now awaiting trial.

In two instances we have acted for the authorities of other cities, notably in the case of James Cull, arrested by us from description for the police of Hamilton, Ont., where he was sent to answer a charge of embezzlement; also the case of L. Parks, for the Seattle police, wanted for robbing the First National Bank of Seattle of \$7,000, of which amount \$450 was found on the prisoner. He was taken back and sentenced to ten years' imprisonment.

Then in the case of John P. Elliot, whom we caused to be arrested in Vancouver, two charges of forgery, committed in this city. He was brought back and sentenced to two years.

I might say, in conclusion, that the working of this department has been greatly facilitated by the building of a detective's office, as heretofore our business—especially the secret part—had to be conducted almost openly, whereas now it can be done secretly or otherwise, as occasion may require.

I have the honor to be, sir,
Your obedient servant,
THOS. PALMER,
Senior Detective.

BOTANICAL STATION.

Messrs. Baird, of Port Renfrew, donated land at San Juan for the Buildings.

A botanical station is about to be established at San Juan, on the West Coast of Vancouver Island, and the Messrs. Baird, of Port Renfrew, have donated to the organizers of the society, who are prominently connected with the University, four acres of their land upon which the buildings are to be erected.

These buildings, two or three in number, will be commenced this winter, and it is expected that they will be ready for the occupants in the spring.

The students, 30 or 40 in number, are drawn from all parts of the United States, and the immense mineral and lumber wealth of the island, and particularly of the San Juan district, will thus be brought before the students, with it is hoped, good financial results.

The Lieutenant-Governor has signified his intention of being present at the inauguration, and it is expected that he will be accompanied by a number of members of the house and prominent Victorians. The expenses connected with the erection and equipment of the station has been raised by private subscription, and it is hoped that the provincial government will expend some little money in the making of a road from the government wharf at San Juan to the station. No goods could be taken to the houses by land, all material must be sent by water, and this at many times is unsafe and impracticable.

A lighthouse at the entrance of the port is much needed, and a thorough survey of the harbor is also necessary.

HOW TO CURE COUGHS.

Mr. B. Gray, who lives near Amenia, Dutchess county, N. Y., says: "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the best medicine I have ever used. It is a fine children's remedy for cough, and never fails to cure." When given as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the cough has developed, it will prevent the attack. This should be borne in mind and a bottle of the Cough Remedy kept at hand ready for instant use as soon as these symptoms appear. For sale by Henderson Bros., Wholesale Agents.

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Adjourned For a Month

Counsel For Ludgate Asks That Deadman's Island Case Stand Over.

Date of Hearing Fixed For Feb. 5th—Corp. Turner's Evidence.

The action of the Attorney-General of British Columbia vs. the Attorney-General of Canada and Theodore Ludgate was again laid over last evening at the request of Mr. McDowell. At the conclusion of Corp. Turner's evidence, Mr. McDowell asked that an adjournment be taken as the evidence submitted might possibly cause a change in his line of action.

To this request both of the counsel representing the other interests in the case acceded, and Mr. Justice, Martin fixed February 5th as the date for the adjourned hearing of the case. This date was not made absolute, and may have to be further postponed in the event of His Lordship being obliged to go on circuit.

After luncheon Corp. Turner took the stand to describe the progress of the survey he made under the direction of Col. Moody to Capt. Parsons. He first surveyed the reserve on the north side of the first barrows. Thence he proceeded to survey lots 181 and 184 west of Hastings townsite. He continued to survey lots 182 and 183, adjacent to the two before mentioned. He then followed the coast line from 181 westward, till he came to a point that was decided to be known as the west boundary of the present townsite of Granville. The survey of lot 185 followed, which embraced three claims in one. Then he followed around by English bay and False creek and connected with the survey of lot 182.

The land included in this survey is now known as Stanley park and Deadman's island.

Mr. Howey, who was cross-examining, then turned to a traverse made on page 21 of the notes, and asked the witness why he had entered there the words "military reserve."

To this Mr. Duff strenuously objected, but Mr. Palmer held that he was merely refreshing the witness's memory and seeking to know by whose authority he had written the words. It was inconsistent, he held, for the Court to rule out the note when the witness was asked to refresh his memory from those notes had been admitted.

The Court ruled that this was an attempt to gain substantive evidence under the guise of refreshing the witness's memory, and ruled it out.

Continuing, Mr. Turner said he found several hints on the site of the present city of Vancouver. The lots on which they stood he surveyed. The field notes were handed into the Lands and Works department, where they were plotted on the official plan of the district and others. This district plan was made in sheets. This plan he had frequently seen.

Cross-examined by Mr. Duff, witness said that when the Engineers were posted in British Columbia there were twenty men sent out from the Ordnance Survey under Capt. Parsons, with Sergt. McCall and Corp. Howes as non-coms. These men were from the Ordnance Survey, and surveyed all over the province. The clerical work was done downstairs in another department of the Lands and Works department.

Mr. McDowell at this point asked for an adjournment on behalf of Mr. Ludgate, and the case was adjourned until February 5th.

Next Friday will be a gala night at the Victoria theatre, when "The Belle of New York" blossoms into view. Glorious is she in new scenery, new scenery, and with a battalion of new comers in the cast. She is practically the same invigorating, blithesome, rollicking "Belle" that captured the hearts of the "other" notable in the cast are James Darling, George Tollman, Arthur Deacon, Joseph Kane, La Belle Dage, Joe Perry, Grace Rutledge, Erneste Earle, and the beautiful and shapely chorus.

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A Charming Vocalist

Mlle. Dolores Carries the City By Storm By Her Matchless Voice.

Big Audience Grooms Her at the Victoria-Friday Night's Attraction.

Mlle. Dolores (Antoinette Trebelli) on her second visit to the city of Victoria was greeted with a full house in the Victoria theatre last night. It could not have been otherwise, for during her last visit here she completely won the hearts of the lovers of vocal music. Needless to say, she last night fully sustained her reputation.

Through a mistake in checking her baggage it was sent on to Vancouver, necessitating Mlle. Dolores appearing last night in street attire.

But the singer does not require any of the stage accomplishments to find her way into the hearts of her audience. Her mastery of her voice—an exceptionally pure one—and the easy grace of manner which she possesses is her sufficient passport. From the time when she makes her first appearance her audience realizes that they have with them a charming lady whose soul is in her art.

Her repertoire last night was very varied, but one which was rendered with uniform truth. The first number, embracing Gounod's Romance, Comme la Nuisance Amore (Heine de Naba), and Goring-Thomas's Duex Melodies, Mlle. Dolores gave a varied exhibition of the powers of the chanteuse. In Tchaikovsky's Adieu Foresta, from the opera Jeanne d'Arc, Mlle. Dolores was given an opportunity to appear to advantage. In the deep pathos brought forth in Jeanne's farewell to the scenes of her girlhood, and again when stirred by the inspiration of the work before her, the singer last night was at home in interpreting. Recalled, she sang Savorara, by Channadi, Hadyn's Merman Song and Horn's I've been Roaming, her English songs were sweet and liquid in style. Recalled she gave the old Scotch favorite, I'm Over Young to Marry Yet, in a naive manner which caught the ear of the audience. Tartanella, by Bizet, was given, showing the vocal powers of Mlle. Dolores.

Mascagni's Pina d'Amore, and La Tu Stella pleased the audience, and after the English ballad, Through Sunny France, the audience insisted upon her reappearance, when she gave her popular laughing Song, the spirit of which was forced upon her audience, and they left in the best of good humor.

Mlle. Dolores's accompanist was Robert Clarence Newell. Mr. Newell is a very artistic pianist. His accompaniments were played with the best of good taste. During the evening he gave several piano solos. He is unassuming in his manner upon the stage. He was repeatedly encored. His numbers were Chopin's Sonata op. 35 first movement, Mendelssohn's Spring Song, Liszt's Liebestraume No. 3, and Rhapsody Hungarian No. 11, by the same author.

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Missionary's Opinion

Thinks the Empress Dowager Will Return to Peking in the Spring.

And That the Powers Should Not Hurry on the Negotiations.

Paris, Jan. 8.—Archbishop Favier, who is the head of the French mission in North China, has arrived in Paris.

In an interview, he says he believed the Empress Dowager would return to Peking in the spring, when order will be completely restored. The Europeans, he says, will find they have not lost ground by recent events. The government, however, must be given time to resume the direction of affairs. In the meanwhile, the police work now proceeding should be completed, and the last bands of Boxers and looters dispersed. Europe must not try to rush the negotiations, for Chinese diplomacy always says "no," but afterwards always says "yes."

The Archbishop justifies the ransacking of Peking shops for food by Chinese Christians with the convenience of the Christians. He declares the Christians' provisions from abandoned warehouses after they first obtained permission from M. Pichon, the French minister, to seize provisions, clothing and coal, and also a portion of the money lying in Prince Li's palace, in order to send it to the distressed Christians in the province.

An account was kept of everything, with a view of reimbursing the owners or deducting the amount from the indemnity. All the valuable objects gathered at Peking included the contents of his museum, and were sold at auction. Most of the articles were bought by two Americans. Archbishop Favier returns to China in February.

Action of Dowager Empress.
Washington, Jan. 8.—Minister Conger was heard from today in a cable to the state department. The text of the dispatch was not given out, but it was made known that in substance, Mr. Conger confirmed recent press reports to the effect that there was reason to believe the Empress Dowager was exerting her influence against the acceptance of the demands submitted by the powers. It is the feeling among officials here that the influence still wielded by the Empress Dowager may lead to serious complications in case she seeks to bring to a halt the negotiations now pending.

WAITED ON PREMIER.
Members of Toronto Bar Present Petition to Sir Wilfrid Laurier Regarding Appointments.

Toronto, Jan. 8.—Premier Laurier, who was in Toronto to attend the Laurier dinner, was today waited upon by a deputation from the Ontario bar, who presented a memorial as follows:

"The signatories to this memorial recognize the fact that in the past appointments to the high court bench in Ontario have been made by distinction previously attained at the bar, and have been made without regard to other considerations than public interests. Your signatories wish to express to you, as the first minister among his Excellency's advisers, their hope and trust that when present or other vacancies open on the Ontario bench come to be filled, the government will not depart from the traditions surrounding this high office in the past, but will continue to deserve the confidence of the people by selecting for such exalted positions men of standing and excellence in the profession, without attaching any weight to other considerations which may be urged."

The memorial was signed by the leading lawyers of the city.

The Premier, in reply, expressed his entire concurrence in the statements expressed in the memorial.

STATES AND PANAMA.
Washington, Jan. 8.—There is reason to believe that the United States government will adopt a vigorous line of action in case the city of Panama is attacked or there is any interruption of the transit facilities of the isthmus. According to a treaty arrangement with Colombia, the United States has been given a certain measure of protection over the peaceful conduct of traffic across the isthmus.

When Consul-General Jager a few months ago reported that the revolutionists would bombard the city of Panama, Acting Secretary of State Hill promptly sent a dispatch announcing in unusually vigorous terms that the government would not tolerate any action likely to prejudice or interfere with the rights which this government has assumed.

The dispatch became known in Panama, and had the effect of putting an end to the plan of bombardment. Mr. Gudge's present dispatch does not indicate that the city itself is about to be attacked, but it develops by later information that there is any prospect of bombardment, the vigorous procedure of a few months ago would be repeated. At present the gunboat Ranger is at Panama, and the Philadelphia and Iowa are on the way to that locality.

Trading Stamps.

We beg to call the attention of the public to the erroneous statement in another advertisement of this paper, where it is stated that all merchants have discontinued Trading Stamps.

While it is certain those using the People's Trading Stamps have discontinued, only three of the DOMINION (BLUE) TRADING STAMP CO.'S merchants have fallen off.

NOT SUITABLE FOR CATTLE.
Islands of Western Alaska Not Adapted For Pasturage—Copper River Country.

J. F. Hiescher, the Northwest cattle dealer who went westward from Skagway last month to investigate the field for raising cattle on the islands in that part of Alaska, has returned from his trip with an adverse report in that particular, but with an enthusiastic opinion of the future of the great Copper River country.

The Gladhout and Copper King Mines on Virgin Island, he said, "are already producing." The claims are entirely submerged at high tide. The property was sold to a company, which bought 255 tons of ore, which was shipped to Tacoma as ballast. From this shipment was realized \$20,000, or two-thirds of the selling price of the claims.

"Stick in the interior native copper is found. Even on the Kina river great veins of native copper have been found which carry 85 per cent. pure copper. The extent of the copper belt is not known, but it covers a wide district embracing the whole Copper River valley."

"Work on the government trail and telegraph line to Eagle will be resumed in February, when the work of transporting supplies, wire and equipment to Copper Centre, 160 miles away, will be begun. The wire is now in operation as far as the summit, 10 miles from Valdez, and the poles have been set, ready for the wire, for 25 miles further. The government expects the wire to be in operation to Eagle before next winter."

"As is generally known, a good road will be built in the summer, and from there to a point seven miles beyond Copper Centre a good wagon road, with all streams bridged, has been constructed. The trail will be widened to a wagon road next summer. The distance from Eagle City to Valdez is 500 miles."

"The cattle raising proposition, which took me to the westward, is not practicable. In the first place, not all of the islands in the vicinity of Prince William Sound are heavily timbered, and snow falls to great depth. The islands out in the water, off the coast a few miles, are better adapted for the purpose, but have no harbors where cattle could be landed or unloaded with safety. Middleton Island would be available but for that reason. Along the coast near Yakutat it is favorable but for another difficulty. It rains so much that native hay cannot be cured and silos would be necessary to preserve hay for winter, and that would hardly pay."

The Copper River interior will be a stock raising country whenever a railroad taps it. The wonderfully luxurious grass which grows there will provide ample food during long winters."

A Dawson dispatch of December 29th says: "That the big commercial companies practically control the prices of all commodities in the interior to-day is shown by another case in the price of everything. Merchandise of every description is cheaper in Dawson than ever before. The big companies have just instituted a cut along the line, and it is said Skagway prices may reveal before the slaughter is ended. The apparent object of the cut is to freeze out the smaller dealers who on account of their numbers, greatly interfere with the business of the big companies."

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MR. TURNER.

Our esteemed contemporary is in a panegyric mood these days. It is pleased with everything in the universe with the exception of the manner in which the pacification of China is being accomplished and it has a good word to say for everybody from the Premier down. That is a very commendable spirit in which to commence the year and the century. We might all be benefited by the banishment of political and municipal and individual strife for a year and the election of the representatives to our various public bodies by acclamation. For the line must be drawn somewhere. We are quite willing to concur in all that our contemporary has said about the personal qualities of Mr. Turner—that there is no more estimable gentleman in British Columbia—that he has accomplished all for the province the Colonist says he has and a great deal more; that he has built our railways now in operation and that he would have had the province grid-ironed with them if the people had not lost faith in him because of a habit he had "developed" of sending out "construction parties" with spades and other scientific implements to begin a new line or two when an election was impending, that he has straightened out our finances and kept our credit from plunging into the depths which would be but natural in a province of such limited resources; that through his intelligent and indefatigable supervision all the money voted for the construction of trails, roads and bridges have been expended in such a manner as to bring the greatest possible amount of benefit to the largest possible number of settlers and that the letters the Times is constantly receiving, one of which we published on Monday, as to the isolation of settlements and the impossibility of finding markets for produce, are merely creations of the imagination; that law and order have been maintained in a manner worthy of the traditions of British institutions, as they are in all parts of Canada; and that our people have been untrammelled in their efforts to overcome the happiness which so often eludes poor mortals, that Sir Matthew Baillie-Leggie and the minor officers of the law in British Columbia had nothing to do with any of these things, and that Mr. Turner was what the small boy calls "the whole push." We say we are ready to admit all these things for the sake of harmony in this new century year, but when we are asked to pass over without comment a proposal to spend ten thousand dollars a year to maintain a discredited politician in London, then we must draw the line. Notwithstanding the eulogies of our contemporary it is a fact that Mr. Turner and all those associated with him have been, together with all their works, completely discredited in this province, and that they were condemned by the people long before they were retired from office. By a distribution of seats worthy of the Toryism of which Mr. Turner is a fitting representative a government held power for many years in opposition to

the expressed wishes of a majority of the electors, but of course, as our contemporary virtually says, it was well for the people that their desires should be thwarted in order that their interests should be advanced by "leaps and bounds" and that all disorderly elements should be kept out of the community. It is a fact that the relics of Turnerism are the elements of weakness in the present provincial government. The Premier made a mistake in taking them into his cabinet, as he now knows. But the problem of how to get rid of them is somewhat perplexing, and it may be that our contemporary is making straight the path for an announcement that their services are too valuable to be dispensed with at all. If such be the case the end is sure. It may be possible for the Premier because of his personality to secure the support of a majority of the members during the life of the present House, but all men who have had opportunities to gauge the trend of political sentiment in British Columbia are agreed that many of our representatives will be compelled to assume an altogether different attitude when they come to lay their case before the people.

LORD DUFFERIN.

All Canadians will read with profound sympathy for the man of the many sorrows and misfortunes that have befallen Lord Dufferin in his declining years. He was one of the most brilliant of our many able Governor-Generals, and he added greatly to his reputation as a diplomat by representing his country with conspicuous ability and zeal in all the chief posts in the foreign field. In wit and eloquence he was a master, and in the handling of delicate diplomatic questions there was none to compare with him in his day. One son, Lord Ava, died of his wounds in South Africa, and another had been stricken down and his case was so serious that it was considered advisable that his father should visit him, when the announcement of the collapse of the London & Globe corporation involved him in financial troubles of a serious character. The end is that the man who has been honored by princes and potentates and statesmen in all parts of the earth, whose abilities, even genius, were universally acknowledged, has been hounded and hooted by a mob of money-changers. And yet Lord Dufferin is not without blame in this matter. He accepted a position without taking upon himself the responsibilities which that post entailed; hence the fate that has befallen him. Many men of high estate have yielded to such temptation, but it has been given to few to feel so keenly their position. It is pleasant to read, however, that when the spell of Dufferin's eloquence fell upon even that meeting of money-grubbers it was carried away by it, and that they who came to hiss and jeer could not refrain from cheering our former Governor-General and his Countess.

AUSTRALIAN COMMONWEALTH.

We have not read a great deal about it in British Columbia, but the Australian colonies were erected into a commonwealth on the first day of the century. Henceforth the first of January will be to our friends on the other side of the world what Dominion day is to Canadians. The rejoicings with which the new era was inaugurated are reported to have been without parallel in the history of Australia. Lord Hopton made a mistake in his first choice of a Premier for the united states, as governors seem still to have a faculty of doing under our system of government, although there seems no reason why they should not be thoroughly conversant with public opinion. But that mistake has been rectified and it is the universal verdict that the Premier who has been called upon to fill that most honorable post for the first time is just "the man for the job." The Hon. Edmund Barton, Premier, and director of the department of foreign affairs, is a resident of Sydney, is a lawyer by profession, which he has unfortunately been handicapped in by being also an author and a scholar. Notwithstanding these weaknesses, however, he will be known in history as the "father of confederation" and the leader of a government in an English-speaking community with nothing to do or evolve itself, but for the present there is no such thing. The Premier is not without experience in former ministries of his native colony of New South Wales as attorney-general. Mr. Lyne, who has assumed charge of the department known as the home office, was formerly premier and treasurer of New South Wales; Sir George Turner, treasurer for many years was premier and treasurer of Victoria; Sir John Forrest, postmaster-general, has been premier and treasurer of Western Australia uninterruptedly ever since that colony was given responsible government; Mr. Dickson, minister of defence, has been premier and chief secretary of Queensland; and Mr. Deakin, attorney-general, has held the same office in the government of South Australia. The new government, it will be observed, is composed of men of experience in the practical affairs of state, and each of the colonies save Tasmania has a representative upon it.

The consummation of this union of great British colonies starts a new nation upon a career of illimitable possibilities.

Nothing to equal it in importance has been announced since the first day of July upon which Canada became a continental confederation. The path before the new nation is straight and the future of the federation full of promise. The predictions of the prophets that the gulf between Great Britain and her southern dependencies would gradually widen and that separation and independence would be the final result will not be fulfilled for many years to come, and will never come to pass if the affairs of the Empire be guided by men of prudence, discretion and foresight. In many things our brothers have followed the example of Canada; may they do so in many more. Our distinguished Premier intends to pay a visit to Australia and to participate in the ceremonies attending the opening of the new parliament. He will be able to tell them many things that will do them good and which we have no doubt they will profit by. The result, we hope, will be a preferential tariff embracing within its provisions the greater part of the British Empire and a perceptible tightening of the bonds which have been made so apparent by the outbreak in South Africa.

No apology is necessary to the readers of the Times for the publication even at this late date of the speech of the Colonial Secretary previous to the presentation of the Imperial House of Commons. It deals with matters of extraordinary interest to Britons, at the present time, setting forth as it does the only possible conditions upon which peace shall be established and the state of feeling which must prevail before self-government can be granted in confederated South Africa. Mr. Chamberlain's speeches never lack in interest, and this particular subject he treats with the gravity which its importance merits.

Toronto Globe: The New York Journal, on behalf of the United States, challenged the British Empire, "from cold Canada, which will be ours one day soon, to hot South Africa, that will eventually be free, to a prize-hunt competition. Superiority is not to be set by good looks or fat limbs, but by intelligence. As it is sometimes difficult to establish the degree of intelligence amongst infants, the Journal supplies data by which it may be gauged. All of the brain is above the ear, it says, so that the nearer the neck the ear is, the greater the intelligence. Judging by the allusion to Canada, we should say that the writer's ears are on top of his head, and very long at that.

Mr. C. E. Tisdall at one time a representative of Vancouver in the Legislature, who in the short time he was in the House became immensely popular, has disdainfully ignored the advice said to have been given to a deluded man by Punch. Nevertheless he is to be congratulated upon the fact that the advent of the new century has awakened him to a sense of his responsibilities. May his new condition bring him all the happiness which his friends here and in the Terminal City believe he deserves.

Yesterday the Colonist printed the annual report of the chief of police and the detectives; why was it necessary for it to reproduce them again this morning? Was it merely a coincidence, or is the journalistic instinct so strongly developed in our neighbor that it can read the minds of the city officials, from the Mayor down, like a book?

THE CIVIC SITUATION.

To the Editor:—"Ratepayer," writing to this morning's Colonist, says he is in favor of electing the present board of aldermen by acclamation, and it would be a saving to the ratepayers of some seven or eight hundred dollars. And yet he winds up by suggesting that the money be applied to the proposed memorial. The fact of the matter is that the expenditure of the money for an election is no more wasted than it would if spent for memorial purposes, as in both cases it is put in circulation amongst our citizens. Now, sir, if the present council wants to be elected by acclamation let them call a meeting of the ratepayers in the city hall before nomination day and give an account of their stewardship for the year, and ask for a renewal of confidence, and then it would be in order for "Ratepayer" to move that he be elected by acclamation. We should then know definitely that they are willing to assume the duties for another year. On the other hand, there are others who consider that the present council has no more to brag about than previous councils, and that the deliberations of the board in dealing with the revenue and public matters generally is open to just as much criticism as any board's actions in the past. As an old member of the board, I am pleased to see the present members treated more respectfully by writers in the press than they have been in the past. It may be that the good sociable dinners inaugurated by the late mayor, and kept up by the present mayor, have something to do with the better feeling that prevails. While we have our differences of opinion on matters, it is a privilege and a duty of every ratepayer, if he can qualify according to law, to have a friendly contest with any other ratepayer for a seat at the council board.

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Escape of Prisoners From United States Transport—Missionaries' Sorry Plight.

With reference to the disaster that occurred in the American sailing vessel Schofield, off the coast of Miyazaki prefecture some time ago, an item of intelligence from Nagasaki, received by R. M. S. Empress of Japan this morning, has it that the sailing vessel in question, which was on her way from San Francisco to Port Arthur, struck a sunken rock off Cape Toi, Minaminka district of that prefecture, but was able to enter the Toi gulf in safety at noon on the 24th ult., the damage to her hull being very slight. The steamer Joshu Maru, which was dispatched from Nagasaki to the rescue of the stranded vessel, came back to that port on the 5th, carrying on board seven passengers who belonged to the "American ship," but who refused to travel any further in that damaged vessel, the above passengers including one Britisher, one Dane, one Frenchman, two Americans, and two Japanese. A peculiar circumstance, say the advices, is that the foreign vessel, though in a dangerous condition, refused to accept assistance of the necessary help, and it is said that she started in a great hurry for her destination, making good the damaged portion with pieces of canvas.

Shanghai advices under date of December 6th, say: "On Tuesday afternoon the American transport 'Graft' arrived from the Philippines. The transport had on board a large number of military prisoners, who were being conveyed to the States. During the evening eight of these prisoners, with sentences ranging from one to ten years, escaped in the most daring manner. Handcuffed though they were, the men managed to crawl through the ventilator leading to their place of confinement, reaching the open air and comparative freedom. Having got so far, they broke the chains connecting their handcuffs, then secured lifeboats, and crawling down the anchor chains, dropped into the water, without waiting to lighten themselves by casting off their clothing. A strange part of the whole affair is that the men appear to have been entirely unnoticed by the sentries, if sentries there were. They swam in the direction of a pier, just off which they were espied by the Chinese coxswain of the 'Communist' launch Jubilee, who was the only man on board the vessel. He at once put out and picked the men up, and steamed for the jetty. On reaching the pier, and before the coxswain could take the necessary steps to prevent it, the eight men, probably rendered desperate, sprang ashore from the launch, leaving their lifebelts behind, bolted and got clear." A new railway is being built from the capital, Seoul, to the frontier on the Yalu river, at Wiju. This line is being constructed by French engineers with funds loaned to the Korean government by the French syndicate, who are also supplying the materials, as a matter of fact. Another new undertaking under French auspices is a Scientific Engineering School, which is being started by the Korean government under French teachers.

H. M. S. Sandpiper, or rather the battered remains of her, have once more been raised near Hongkong. The lighters which sank with her are still at the bottom. The dredger Canton River is expected soon to be righted and brought to the surface.

Punishment has overtaken the city of Peking. The execution of officials was an imposing affair, but the Chinese were too frightened to be present, and few, if any, witnessed it. The city is terrified by the presence of foreign soldiers, but too proud to really seem humbled with the punishment, severe as it is. Three chief officers beheaded, one decapitated, several temples blown up, city divided upon them, and what is more, towers the same, and they find 100,000 taels. The native Christians have been much and much property destroyed. Some villages and individuals pay indemnity, which goes towards meeting the wants of the living. Colonel Wang Chankuei, who has since been beheaded, confirms the presence of Mr. Wm. Cooper at Peking at the time of the massacre. He remembered that there were two men who came from the C.I.M. house seeking refuge in his camp and whom he subsequently handed over to the Boxers.

Definite news has been received of the safety in Shanghai yet another party of Chinese inland missionaries hitherto reported as missing. These consist of Mr. Graham McKie, Misses Way and Chapman, and Mrs. Ogren and baby. Mr. Ogren, after enduring unspeakable suffering from wounds given by the Boxers, died seven days before the missionaries brought the news to Mr. McKie, after giving some detailed statements of the cruel fate which has overtaken so many of his fellow missionaries in Shanghai. "Their suffering from hunger, cold and homeless wanderings is unspeakable. Boxers can't beat, but Christians cannot. Homes are stripped of all

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INSTALLATION POSTPONED.

Officers of Juvenile Foresters of Court Northern Light Take Seats for Year.

The Juvenile Foresters' branch of Court Northern Light held their regular annual installation meeting last evening in the R. of P. hall. The following were the officers installed: C. R. H. P. Wolfe; S. C. R. A. E. Sellick; S. W. S. Redgrave; J. W. A. G. Carmichael; S. B. D. W. Webster; J. B. J. James. The ceremonies were conducted by W. G. Gower, P. C. R. and P. J. Davies, P. C. R.

Culpat Bohak lodge met last evening, but the installation ceremonies, which were announced for last night's meeting, did not take place. The services had to be postponed on account of a misunderstanding between the members of the lodge and the Grand Master. The former, it seems, had obtained no dispensation from the Grand Master to allow them to make the installation ceremonies public, and on that account the installation of officers was postponed.

Court Northern Light will hold their regular meeting this evening, when the installation of officers for the year will take place. All members are requested to turn out.

The regular fortnightly meeting of Court Columbia, Canadian Order of Foresters, will be held to-morrow evening at Sir William Wallace hall, Broad street. Installation of officers for the ensuing year and conferring the initiatory degree on a candidate will be the principal business. Journeymen brethren are invited to attend the meeting.

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A volume of religious discussions and criticisms from the naturalist's point of view has lately been given to the public by John Burroughs, called "The Light of Day" (1). Anything Mr. Burroughs writes—essays, critiques, studies—is so impregnated with the sturdy personality of the man that it is hard to have him to its place. "Waiting" professes the present work, and is pathetic in its significance when one remembers the author's advanced years.

"Sere, I fold my hands and wait,
Nor care for wind, or tide, or sea;
I have no more 'gallant time or fate,
For my own soul shall come to me."

One is reminded of Walt Whitman's "Farewell My Fancy." The preface explains the title of these essays. "In which I have urged the sufficiency and the universality of natural law, and that most of the mysterious light with which our fears, our ignorance or our superstition have invested the subject of religion, when brought to the test of reason, either vanish entirely or give place to the light of common day." The writer then further explains, "my polemic" is "aimed more at theology than religion. Theology is a religion, as reverence, 'remains.' The old theology is outworn and outgrown, he says. 'The longer I live the less I feel the need of any theological belief and the more I am content to let the universe powers go their way, with me and mine, and with the universe as it is.' This brought me here and I have found it well to be here in due time they will take me hence, and I have no doubt that will be well for me too." The body of the work contains many chapters of deep interest to all thinking people. That on science and theology he discusses Professor Drummond's great work, and beats fierce criticism upon it. "When it is declared by a college professor of natural science, as it virtually is in this book, that in the laws and processes of the physical universe that which is science at one end is Scotch Presbyterianism at the other, the proposition arrests attention by its novelty at least." All of which is rather hard on Mr. Drummond, and a bit unfair. It might be said in retort that there might be something worse than Presbyterianism at the other end of any branch of knowledge. Speaking of the natural versus supernatural, he says, "The religious man is less and less dependent on supernatural ends. It is beginning to hear God in the still small voice; not in the tempest, but in the extraordinary, but in the quiet and familiar facts of nature and of life. The vulgar mind asks for a sign, a wonder, but science has no sign, no wonder to show. It points to the sign, no wonder to show. It points to the simplest fact. A dissertation upon faith and credulity contains some fine passages, although the cold reason of its statements is rather terrifying. The chapter in corroboration of Professor Huxley and against Dr. Lyman Abbott is a wonderful piece of controversial writing, and that, in the modern sceptic would be discouraging if it were true. But when the author states that 'never were so much courage and hope and benevolence and virtue in the world as to-day, and never before were the ties of the old faith so near,' he is stating his own opinion merely and not a fact. The chapter on the spiritual insight of Matthew Arnold shows a fine appreciation of the power of penetration into higher things possessed by the great scholar, whose culture, temper and method were essentially Greek." The concluding discourse is the most charitable and kindly: "It is the duty of the spiritual insight, how vital and alive the world is; how the water, flowers, creatures, itself, how the working, sitting, distributing process, no atom missing or losing its place, goes on forever and forever." It is a most beautiful mosaic—the last chapter. But one will remember and love Mr. Burroughs, not because of this book, but of all the wonderful bird and nature books.

"Sons of the Morning" (2), by Eden Philpotts, author of "The Children of the Mist," has had a wonderful success. The scene is also laid at Dartmoor, and the principal characters are Mark Endicott, uncle of the heroine, Miles Stapledon and Christopher Yeoland, the rivals, each worthy a woman's love; and Honor herself, changeful, tender, mischievous, "as pure as water and as good as bread." The others are the folk, the villagers with their love making and crude wit, the inevitable chorus. All through the volume one is reminded of Blackmore, the wonderful descriptions of out-of-doors, the quaint country folk, and most of all the close communion of the rival lovers and their lady with the silent nature about them. They are children of the world, of sunlight and shadow. All the old pastimes are brought in, and the delicate charm of the woodland and the majesty of trees and skies, much of the wonderland of the science that keeps count of the household concerns of the ant, and we live in the perpetual change of the moors and the valleys. It is an ideal world, and the heroic yet human figures of the two men and the girl harmonize wonderfully with its land of dreams. It is not a current work of as fine a poet. It is spiritual in its insight, many-tinted in its developing, consistent in its characterization and filled to the last page with the spirits of freshness and beauty and love. Honor and Christopher are, I think, new personages in fiction. When Christ says, "There are plati-ners I could tell you about—the sadness of human flowers, the sadness of great lonely mist on lonely lands; the sadness of a robbed bird—'and so on, he describes his own attitude toward the hills and valleys of his beloved country. It is a most beautiful book.

An interesting historical story in Knox Magee's "With Ring of Shield" (3), a tale of court life and adventure in the time of Richard III. A tournament and a court ball afford opportunity for some pretty scenes. The dramatic death of King Edward at the battle of Tewkesbury is described, and he begins the bloody work of getting him on the throne. Sir Walter Catesby, whom he imprisons, escapes to rescue his lady love, a waiting-woman of the unfortunate king, and is slain. Richard is the instrument of justice by whom Richard meets his death in the battle of Bosworth Field. The story of the play of Shakespeare is really all in the book, but the plot is centered elsewhere. It is the story of another set of people, whose fortunes ebb or flow with those of the royal house, the new characters, the waiting of Lady Hazel, Sir Frederick, Lady Mary and Sir Walter. The historical is the

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the "Act of Incorporation" the first meeting of the shareholders of the Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern Railway and Navigation Company will be held at the office of D. G. Macdonell, at the City of Vancouver, on Tuesday the 5th day of January, 1901, at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon, at which meeting the shareholders of the said Company will proceed to elect directors, and to transact such other business as may come before them. Dated at Vancouver, this 24th day of December, 1900.

ALEX. EWEN, W. L. NICOL, J. T. BETHUNE, Provisional Directors.

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On and after Sunday, January 14th, 1900, the train leaving Union Station, Toronto, (via Grand Trunk Railway), at 9 a.m. and 9:30 p.m., make close connections with the Maritime Express and Local Express at Bonaventure depot, Montreal, as follows: The Maritime Express will leave Montreal daily, except Sunday, at 11:30 a.m. for Halifax, N. S., St. John, N. B., and Lunenburg, P. E. I. The Local Express will leave Montreal daily, except Sunday, at 12:30 noon, for St. John, N. B., and Lunenburg, P. E. I. The Maritime Express will leave Montreal at 10:30 p.m. for St. John, N. B., and Lunenburg, P. E. I. Through sleeping and dining cars on the Maritime Express on Local Express.

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NORTHERN ROUTE. Steamships of this company will leave for Fort Simpson and intermediate points via Vancouver, 1st and 15th of each month at 11 p.m.

ALASKA ROUTE. Steamships of this company will leave every Wednesday, via Vancouver, for Wrangell and Skagway at 8 p.m.

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Provincial News.

VERNON.
Mayor Megaw, is seeking re-election for a third time in response to a largely signed requisition.

An epidemic of the grip is in the district attacking young and old. Fortunately it is of a mild type.

GRAND FORKS.

A heavy fall of snow has considerably brightened the business atmosphere, as it solves the long delayed problem of transportation for the ores which are lying on numerous dumps throughout the district, and which it has been impossible to move to the railroad or smelter on account of impassable roads.

TRAIL.

The attendance at the board of trade meeting last Wednesday night was large. Colonel Topping presided. Mr. Stevens read the report of the committee appointed to draft the constitution and laws. It was finally adopted substantially as it came from the hands of the committee. After its adoption the board proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year, with the following results: President, E. S. Topping; vice-president, D. B. Stevens; secretary, E. H. Lewis; council, Messrs. Bains, Welch, Byers, Anderson, Weaver, Richard Coleman; Steele, McAnally, McKenzie and Schofield.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

The teachers of the Mainland were convened in annual session on Monday morning. There were many teachers late for the opening session on account of the delayed transportation service and stormy weather. On the membership roll for the ensuing year being opened, however, there were 121 names enrolled, and the officers have arrived since, so that the officers are to be congratulated on the attendance. At the morning session there was a paper read by T. B. Green, of Sapperton, on Arithmetic in the primary grades, followed by a discussion, led by Mr. Buchanan. In the afternoon, Inspector D. Wilson, B. A., presented a paper on the Art of Investigation followed by a discussion. A piano solo by Miss Ethel Homer was very acceptable as a change in the programme. Election of officers resulted as follows: President, J. S. Gordon, Vancouver; first vice-president, R. S. Sherman, M.A., Mission; second vice-president, D. Anderson, New Westminster; treasurer, J. H. Kerr, B.A., Vancouver; recording secretary, Miss T. A. McIntosh, Vancouver; corresponding secretary, A. E. Miller, Vancouver; executive committee, Miss M. Hatt, T. B. Green, Miss J. Reid, Mr. Campbell, Ladner; Miss P. M. Cameron.

VANCOUVER.

The Y. M. C. A. hall has been engaged by the People's Independent church of Vancouver for regular church service during the next four weeks.

The chief of police reported to the city council on Monday evening that the total amount collected in fines and forfeitures was \$6,875.55, during 1900, an increase of over \$2,000 over the preceding year. The police force at present consisted of chief, two sergeants, the clerk, two jailors, two chain gang guards, four plain clothes men, and thirteen patrolmen.

What might have proved a serious riot was nipped in the bud by the police on Sunday night. The trouble began by indulgence of the common habit of assaulting Chinamen with snowballs at the corner of Carrall and Hastings streets. This treatment proceeded so far that the usual meek temperament of the Chinese became excited, and as one after another of the assaulted ones found shelter among his brethren on Dupont street, their complaints were raised with such telling effect that war was declared upon the persecutors of the tribe. The forces of Chinatown were marshalled. About 100 pig tailed warriors, armed with clubs, and other implements, slowly emerged from the district, and marched through the streets about the scene of the trouble. A small army of unarmed Chinamen were sent ahead in a sort of defiant invitation to a fight. Trouble was brewing for the turn out of Chinamen was quickly noised about, and men were hastening to the scene from all quarters. The police fortunately were on the spot at the inception, and took precautions to prevent a conflict. The Chinese were driven at the point of the baton into their district, and the corners were cleared of them.

It is rumored that Armstrong & Morrison's iron works have been sold to the Vancouver Agency, the local representatives of T. H. Davies & Co., of Honolulu and Liverpool, for a sum in the neighborhood of \$200,000. A partner of the firm will be in Vancouver about Thursday next to close the deal. It is further stated that the intention of the Vancouver Agency is to build a foundry to add to the works as soon as the property came into their hands, also to put in several more patent machines, to install massive machinery for the purpose of making big steel castings for smelters, bridges, etc., and to install other machinery which will enable them to embark specially in the manufacture of all kinds of special mining machinery, such as stamp mills, etc. The number of hands would also be at least doubled almost at once. There are now 100 hands employed, and 200 or over would be employed by the new company. In fact there would be an additional expenditure of \$100,000 made to put the works in shape to do all kinds of manufacturing necessary in a growing mining and shipping country like British Columbia, and to continue to enlarge them according to demands made upon them. The Vancouver Agency, or the principals of this agency, own the largest iron works in Honolulu, established by Theo. Davies, who was on the eve of erecting two big warehouses in Vancouver when the hand of death fell upon him. The corporation has unlimited capital and will engage a manager of European reputation for their works here.

Several accidents occurred on Sunday afternoon and evening among the people

who were out sleigh riding. Two ladies were rounding the corner of Carrall and Cordova streets, on the Boulder side, and one leaned out to keep the sleigh from overturning. The result was that she struck her head against a telephone pole, and the collision was so heavy that she was thrown out of the sleigh. She was taken home in another rig. Late in the evening, a sleigh was overturned at the corner of Cambie and Hastings, but beyond throwing the occupants into the snow, no damage was done.

THE CARRIAGE DOG.

It is commonly believed that the spotted carriage dogs, once so frequently kept in England, were about the most useless creatures of the dog kind, maintained only for show and fashion. This is a mistake. They were used at a time when a travelling carriage carried, besides its owners, a large amount of valuable property, and the dogs watched the carriage at night when the owners were sleeping at country inns. We feel that we owe an apology to the race of carriage dogs. They are not useless even now, but, on the contrary, very useful animals, and no one appreciates them more than the coachman of whose horses they are the inseparable companions. The coachman of the late Prince Bathurst told the writer that these dogs were the best of all in a carriage, and that carriage horses. The horse constantly looked out for the dog as it ran by its side, paid attention to it, and was so much engaged in thinking of its stable companion the dog, that it was far less nervous, fidgety, and shy than when taken out alone. One of his dogs was, in his phrase, the "pride of the park." Some readers may remember this dog. It used to place itself exactly beneath the pole chime when the carriage was driven out, and, trotting fast, would maintain its place there to an inch either in the park or in the streets in the crowd of a London season. In the stables, which were large, the carriage dog always had one favorite horse, which he slept with. But when the stud was sent into the country by road, he mounted guard at the door of the inn stables at night, and sometimes refused to let the indigenous ostlers and groom enter to go near the rugs and harness. The Cornhill.

THE BEST PLASTER.

A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound to the affected parts is superior to any plaster. When troubled with lame back or pains in the side or chest, give it a trial and you are certain to be more than pleased with the prompt relief which it affords. Pain Balm also cures rheumatism. One application gives relief. For sale by Henderson Bros., Wholesale Agents.

BASUTO CUSTOMS.

With regard to the ordinary heathen burial, it was the Basuto custom to bury their dead in a sitting posture, and generally in their kraals, but this practice is becoming less common. They are indifferent regarding the graves of their dead, which are left unprotected by wall or fence.

Marriage by cattle, according to the well known native custom, is universally practiced. The price of a wife is about fifteen head of cattle, though the value varies largely according to the circumstances of the case and the nature of the bargain. Polygamy is common, and exists along with many other old customs. One rather curious law, I believe, stipulates that when a man dies his wife or wives pass to the brother, who, if necessary, must support them, and in certain cases the burden is not light.

Another interesting ceremony, I witnessed was a service for rain, which was badly needed at the time. It seems that the father of a missionary, whose memory was much respected, had been credited with the power of bringing rain, for it happened that rain had come on more than one occasion after his petitions. As the Basutos believe that the son inherits the spirit of his father, this missionary was supposed to have also the power of bringing rain. Notwithstanding the missionary's reluctance to encourage such superstition, he was urged to hold this service, and accordingly it took place in the open air under some large blue gum-trees. Lerotodi (the paramount chief) and over 2,000 natives, embracing many heathen, were present. A number and thin branches of the willow, free twisted around their heads with the leaves drooping down over their foreheads, while nearly all had "smeared" their skins with fat, making them shine like bronze in the bright sunshine. After the service, which was conducted in Basuto, and lasted about two hours, Lerotodi, who was magnificently dressed in European costume, rode back to his settlement, and ascended the side of a hill opposite, proceeding as was the custom, some distance in front of his followers. It was a curious picture to see this native chief wearing a silk hat, followed by a large escort of mounted natives clad in blankets!—Good Words.



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Per steamer Charming from Vancouver—Mrs. Croft, G. P. Hicks, Miss Matthews, Miss Wood, Mrs. Snider, Mrs. Cowdery, Mrs. Taylor, Mr. Colclough, G. Wood, Fred Peters, Mr. Anderson, W. J. Starnes, Miss Smith, Mrs. Revely, P. McDermott, S. E. McKenzie, R. W. Gordon, H. James, E. Anderson, Mr. Taylor, F. M. Campbell, J. B. Gray, A. J. Morris, F. W. Carter, F. J. Carter, C. McCormack, J. Burns, G. A. Walker, A. R. Swift, G. H. Ramsay, W. H. King, G. O. Hinton, W. H. Rock, B. Draney, J. H. R. Rick, J. J. Homan, T. J. Smith, G. J. Lant, Mrs. Carter, R. G. Hicks.

Per steamer Utopia from the Sound—W. L. Crowell, E. W. Newland, Phil Shields, M. Warren, Mr. Jeffs, Mrs. Jeffs, A. T. Farwell, P. Craigie, M. Lenz, I. Catchcart, Mrs. Catchcart, T. S. Panton, Mrs. Panton, M. P. Randolph, John Christensen, G. P. Jensen, J. K. McGregor, Mrs. McGregor, F. A. McKenzie, Mrs. Gonzales, Miss Gonzales, R. H. Holmes, M. Crum, M. J. Carrahan, J. Gamagazari, J. Hammond, Mrs. Hammond, M. O'Brien.

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NOTICE.

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Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 31st day of December, 1900.
MASON & BRADBURY,
Solicitors for the Corporation of the City of Victoria, B. C.

TENDERS.

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A. W. WOVELL,
Indian Superintendent,
British Columbia,
Victoria, B.C., 17th December, 1900.

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PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to the Electors of the Municipality of the City of Victoria, that I require the presence of the said Electors at the CITY HALL, in the aforesaid City, on MONDAY, the 14th day of JANUARY, 1901, from 12 (noon) to 2 p. m., for the purpose of electing persons to represent them in the Municipal Council as Mayor or Aldermen.

The mode of Nomination of Candidates shall be as follows:

The Candidates shall be nominated in writing, the writing shall be subscribed by two voters of the Municipality as proposer and seconder, and shall be delivered to the Returning Officer at any time between the date of the notice and 2 p. m. of the day of the Nomination; and in event of a poll being necessary such poll will be opened on THURSDAY, the 17th day of JANUARY, 1901, from 8 a. m. to 4 p. m., in the manner following:

For the office of MAYOR, in the Court Room of the City Hall, aforesaid.

For the office of ALDERMAN for the North Ward, at the Public Market Building, Cornerment Street.

For the office of ALDERMAN for the Central Ward, at the Public Market Building, Cornerment Street.

For the office of ALDERMAN for the South Ward, at the Public Market Building, Cornerment Street, of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

The persons qualified to be nominated for and elected as the Mayor of the City of Victoria shall be such persons as are male British Subjects of the full age of Twenty-one years, and are not disqualified under any law, and have been for the six months next preceding the day of nomination the registered owner in the Land Registry Office of Land or Real Property in the City of Victoria of the assessed value on the last Municipal Assessment Roll of One Thousand Dollars, or more, over and above any registered incumbrance or charge, and who are otherwise duly qualified as Municipal voters.

The persons qualified to be nominated for, and elected as ALDERMAN of the City of Victoria, shall be such persons as are male British Subjects of the full age of Twenty-one years, and are not disqualified under any law, and have been for the six months next preceding the day of nomination the registered owner in the Land Registry Office of Land or Real Property in the City of Victoria of the assessed value on the last Municipal Assessment Roll of Five Hundred Dollars, or more, over and above any registered incumbrance or charge, and who are otherwise duly qualified as Municipal voters.

Given under my hand at Victoria, British Columbia, the 3rd day of January, 1901.

WM. W. NORTHOTT,
Returning Officer.

Municipal Notice.

ELECTION OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to the Electors of the Municipality of the City of Victoria, that I require the presence of the said Electors at the CITY HALL, in the aforesaid City, on MONDAY, the 14th day of JANUARY, 1901, from 12 (noon) to 2 p. m., for the purpose of electing "THREE" persons as members of the Board of Trustees for Victoria City School District.

Any person being a householder in the School District, and being a British Subject of the full age of Twenty-one years, and otherwise qualified by the "Public Schools Act" to vote in the election of School Trustees in the said School District, is eligible to be elected or to serve as a School Trustee.

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Given under my hand at Victoria, British Columbia, the 3rd day of January, 1901.

WM. W. NORTHOTT,
Returning Officer.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session for an Act to incorporate a company with power to construct and operate a railway from the City of Victoria, thence northwesterly to a point at or near Seymour Narrows, Vancouver Island, thence by bridge or otherwise to the Mainland at British Columbia, thence north-easterly alternatively by way of Tete Jaune Cache or Yellow Head Pass or vicinity of Fort George or Pine River on Peace River Passes to a point at or near the eastern confines of the Province, and from any point on such line to the northern boundaries of the Province, or to any coastal points thereof, or to any mining regions or settlements in the Provinces of Westminister or Cassiar Districts, and branch lines of any length therefrom, and with power to construct, acquire and operate telegraph and telephone lines (authorized to charge tolls thereon for the transmission of messages for the public, ships, vessels, wharves, works, water powers to supply electric power, light and heat, and to expropriate waters and lands for all such purposes, and for such other rights, powers and privileges as are usual, incidental, necessary or conducive to the attainment of the above objects.

Dated December 3rd, 1900.

On Behalf of Applicants.

Notice.

The General Scavenger Business formerly carried on by the late Ed. Lines will in future be carried on by Mrs. Ed. Lines, who wishes to thank customers for their past favors, and hopes they will continue their patronage.

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THE CULBERT-BROWNE CO., LTD.

Dufferin Explains

Why He Accepted Chairmanship of the London and Globe Finance Corporation.

Scheme of Reconstruction to Be Submitted on Monday—A Noisy Meeting.

(Associated Press.)
London, Jan. 9.—Amidst cries of "hush, hush," and other hostile interruptions, the Marquis of Dufferin and Ava, chairman of the suspended London & Globe Finance Corporation, Ltd., at the extraordinary general-meeting of the company called for to-day, succeeded in at least temporarily appeasing the wrath of the shareholders. The hall was packed, and the directors were evidently supported by a large faction, as warm cheering was mingled with hisses and hootings. As a result of the explanations of the directors, the shareholders voted an adjournment until Monday, when a scheme for the reconstruction of the concern will be submitted. Lord Dufferin spoke with evident emotion, as he explained his personal relations with the corporation, and the result of the meeting was largely a tribute to himself. During the course of his remarks he explained that he was induced to accept the chairmanship at the solicitation of the late Lord Loch and Sir Wm. Robinson. His Lordship added that he felt that when two such eminent men were connected with the concern he could legitimately join. He soon discovered he had bitter opponents who desired his resignation, hoping that a depreciation of the securities would follow. But he stuck to his position and investments, and though a greater sufferer than most of the shareholders, he had no regret. If he had, he hoped to convince them of his good faith. After he found the duties to be a physical strain beyond his advancing years, and he wanted to withdraw but was hampered by the fear of the detrimental effect of his withdrawal and he held on to the chairmanship, until he received news of the serious condition of his youngest son. Then he yielded to his mother's prayers to take her on to South Africa, and he sent in his resignation with a clear conscience, believing that the surrender of his position under such circumstances was so natural that no one would dream of placing a sinister interpretation upon it. He had no anticipation then that the London and Globe would default from its engagements on the stock exchange. The news reached him in Ireland. In the presence of such calamity he felt that every private consideration must be sunk. In conclusion Lord Dufferin, who was deeply moved, declared that the patience and generosity with which the shareholders had heard him would be one of the brightest souvenirs of his old age. He resumed his seat amid loud cheers. Mr. Whitaker Wright's reception was of a mixed character. He announced that the directors had practically arranged with the creditors and the company will soon be sailing smoothly again. It would be necessary to adjust until Monday, when he believed the shareholders would hear that all their interests were safe and that a scheme for the reconstruction of the company would propose insuring its future prosperity. Mr. Wright added that he had advanced a quarter of a million pounds to tide the corporation over its struggle. Mr. Wright's further remarks were listened to with considerable impatience, and the meeting closed with further cheers for Lord and Lady Dufferin.

WHITAKER WRIGHT.
To-night the Fernwood Young Men's Association will hold the first of a series of weekly whist tournaments at their club rooms, Ridge road. All members interested are invited to participate.

High class Bedding, Blankets, Quilts, Sheets, Pillow Slips, etc., in great variety at Weller's.

LANDED AT HALIFAX.
Members of Second Contingent Disembarked This Morning.
(Associated Press.)
Halifax, Jan. 9.—The Roslyn Castle, with the second contingent on board, arrived at the dock about 9 o'clock amid the booming of cannon and screams of whistles of the steamer in port. All members of the contingent, excepting 12 who are suffering from enteric fever, among whom is Trooper T. G. Wilson, likely Trooper T. R. Wilson, of 201 Hastings street, Vancouver, are in the pink of health. Driver Pearsall, of Winnipeg, is suffering from a broken leg, as the result of a kick from a horse.

Preparing to Welcome Soldiers.
Montreal, Jan. 9.—Montreal, Ottawa, Kingston, Toronto, Winnipeg and other cities are making arrangements to warmly welcome the members of the second contingent, who leave Halifax for home this afternoon.

UNDER THE WATER.
Submarine Boat Went Through Various Manoeuvres Satisfactorily.
(Associated Press.)
Paris, Jan. 9.—The Figeo, in a special dispatch this morning, describes the average of two hours in the submarine boat Mors, during the trials at Cherbourg on Monday.

"In less than two minutes," says the correspondent, "the vessel reached a depth of eighteen feet, when she performed her evolutions with ease and perfect safety. By means of an ingenious instrument, the periscope, floating upon the surface of the water, everything above was visible. The problem of the supply of air has been solved satisfactorily, and the crew were able to remain submerged for sixteen hours without failure of the lungs."

Along the Waterfront.

The first definite news of the missing steamship Tillamook was given out yesterday by L. H. Gray, who was at the time she sailed on her last voyage her agent at Seattle. James Dobbs, a miner who returned from Valdes on the last voyage of the Bertha, brought intelligence of the fact that the Tillamook was homed in by floating ice at Selkova at the mouth of Cook Inlet, and that she was not likely to get out this winter. Dobbs got this news at Valdes from a swish who had just come down from Selkova. On his arriving at Seattle, Dobbs told the facts which he knew to Secretary Elmer, of the Cook Inlet Coal Mining Company. That gentleman informed Mr. Gray, who said nothing of the matter at the time, hoping to get definite confirmation or denial when the Dolphin arrived from Juneau, where Mr. Chilberg, the agent of the Tillamook, was waiting for the Aloha to bring back news from the westward. Dobbs stated that while he was at Valdes waiting for the Bertha, a swish who had come down from the Cook Inlet country, met him. The two got into a conversation. The swish said: "Tillamook in Selkova bay. Heap big ice in Selkova bay. He stuck all winter." This is all the information the Dolphin could get from Selkova bay is at the mouth of Cook Inlet at the southeast end of that body of water. The Tillamook was run by the Alaska Mail Steamship Company, of which J. E. Chilberg is manager. She sailed from Seattle for Juneau and the westward on the 27th of October, and has been five weeks overdue to return to Juneau from the westward. Mr. Chilberg is at Juneau waiting for the return of the Aloha, which belongs to the same company and which is on the Juneau-Westward run, to get definite information as to the Tillamook's location. Until he gets that information the authenticity of the story of the swish will remain in doubt.

The Riojun Maru, which sailed yesterday from this port for the Orient, carried a 4,000-ton cargo of American products, roughly valued at \$200,000. Her freight is consigned to many of the principal ports of the Far East, notably Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki, Shanghai, Hongkong and Manila. It consisted chiefly of Washington flour, Texas cotton, beer, hardware, machinery and general merchandise. The Riojun took twenty-one Japanese and Chinese passengers, stevedores, from Seattle. She also carried 4,000 pounds of mail from here. It was the largest shipment ever sent across the water from Port-land to the Orient until her present trip, when she was withdrawn and placed on the Tacoma run. She carried a full cargo and no passengers, her cargo including a large quantity of silks, teas, mattings and other merchandise from Japan and China. She is reported to have experienced the usual rough voyage common at this season of the year. The boat is scheduled to sail from Tacoma on her return voyage on January 11th, which will necessitate a rapid discharge and rapid loading.

A special to the P.-I. from Skagway says: "The new boats which are to be placed in the Canadian Development Company's steamers Schib and Yukon this winter, have been ordered from Toronto, and are expected to arrive in White Horse about February 15th, when active work will be commenced in the shipyards at that place. Besides the repairs, the company's shipbuilding force will be busy on the three new boats which are to be launched next spring."

The lumber-laden American schooner Yosemite, which returned to Port Angeles yesterday after having sailed for San Pedro, is to be towed to Seattle to discharge her cargo and be repaired.

The cause of the non-arrival of the Scheme on Monday was an accident sus-

tained while on her way here. The P.-I. says: "The steamer Scheme broke a piston rod connection yesterday morning off Four Mile rock, while on her way from Seattle to Victoria. She put back to this port, where the necessary repairs will be made, enabling the vessel to resume her run to-morrow."

Steamer Walla Walla, which sails for San Francisco this evening, will have as saloon passengers, from Victoria, C. E. Tisdall and bride, E. Tisdall, R. W. Gordon, Miss C. Smith, Mrs. C. Smith, Mrs. Hutchison, Lieut.-Colonel Grant and wife, J. R. Gray, G. C. E. Elliott, Miss M. Rialto, A. P. Gallant, Chas. Kalberg, C. E. Kalberg, Miss Lillian Kalberg and W. Luscombe.

Steamer Rosalia, leaving here next Friday evening, will go through to Tacoma for a heavy load of freight. Returning on Saturday, she will leave Seattle at 9:30 p.m. instead of at 8 a.m., reaching Victoria early on Sunday morning. This will give excursionists leaving here on Friday all day at Seattle.

The steamer Charles D. Lane, which was disabled in the recent storm, and which is repairing at Seattle, will probably make a second attempt to sail for Guayaquil, Ecuador, the latter part of this week. Her cargo consists of lumber and railroad supplies.

Steamer Umatilla arrived from San Francisco last night, and at 8 o'clock this morning left for Vancouver, together with the steamer **Umatilla**, which is en route to the mines. She brought eighteen cabin and two steerage passengers for Victoria.

The bark **Abby Palmer**, which was injured in a collision with the Empress of Japan, has been towed to Quartermaster Harbor to complete her repairs.

Steamer Princess Louise was obliged to load her New Westminister freight at Vancouver, owing to ice forming on the Fraser.

Steamer Charming will arrive on time this evening, having left Vancouver at 1:30 o'clock after connecting with the Eastern train.

Tug Lorne returned from the Cape this morning after towing the coal laden ship **Glory of the Seas** to sea.

Steamer Milton is reported to be on her way here from Vladivostok to load coal at Nanaimo for California.

Steamer Dunbar from Skagway and the **Williams** from northern British Columbia ports are now due.

British steamer **Athenian**, according to Japanese advices, is on her way to San Francisco from Tokyo.

Park J. D. Peters has arrived at Port Angeles from San Francisco en route to Comox for coal.

Tuz Lorne left for Port Angeles to-day to tow the bark **J. D. Peters** to Comox.

CANNOT REACH STEAMER.

It Is Feared Some of the Persons on Stranded Russian Have Been Drowned.
(Associated Press.)
Marseilles, Jan. 9.—Dispatches from the village of Parang, near which the French mail steamer **Rosalia** is stranded, Algeria, stranded on Monday in a violent storm with fifty passengers and a crew of forty on board, say all efforts to reach the steamer failed, owing to the tremendous height of the seas, which are running.

The pilot boats and torpedo boats, which have attempted to reach the steamer, have been unable to battle with the waves, and have returned. The only hope seems to be in the ability of the life-savers to throw a line over the **Rosalia** when the wrecked vessel shall be driven closer to the shore. The forecastle and part of the forward deck above are all remaining above water. Lights were seen on board of the steamer. It is believed that some of those on board of her must have already been drowned, although no bodies have been washed ashore.

Later a signal message was received at Marseilles this afternoon from the **Rosalia** saying all on board were alive, but hanging for succor. The sea had slightly moderated, but all attempts at rescue had failed.

RETURNING FROM THE EAST.
(Special to the Times.)
Vancouver, Jan. 9.—J. Thompson, managing director of the C. P. N. Co., and C. C. Chapman, Hudson's Bay Co., passed through to Victoria this afternoon. Mr. Thompson declined to speak regarding the C. P. N. Co.'s steamship business and the results of his Eastern trip.

TOWN SURRENDER.
(Associated Press.)
Caracas, Venezuela, Jan. 9.—The last place occupied by the revolutionists, Carupano, surrendered yesterday.

Regarding the disappearance of Dr. Bettenger, of Dawson, for whom Capt. McDonnell and four policemen are now in search, word comes from the Yukon metropolis that Samuel Footwell, who arrived in that city on January 1st, met him at Lower Lebarge on December 17th, and held quite an extended conversation with him. He had changed his overcoat for a parkie and was in the best of health.

PASSENGERS.
Per steamer **Umatilla** from San Francisco—H. H. Scoville, C. C. Brown and wife, Miss M. Wolf, Mrs. Raymond, B. F. Carter, W. H. McLaren, Miss Doe, Capt. John Irving, Miss K. Hastings, J. B. Delmon and wife, Jule Roussel, J. Roussel, D. D. Buchanan, M. Tomerlin and wife, J. D. Phillips.

CONSIGNEES.
Per steamer **Umatilla** from San Francisco—Chris Morley, Colonel Pitts, O. D. H. Ross, F. C. Price & Co., E. H. Stewart, Geo. Esposito, William T. H. G. J. Harmsley & Co., J. H. Tull & Son, King, Kwong Sing Wing, Robinson & Co., Peter Ross, P. McQuinn & Son, R. P. Rithet & Co., S. J. Pitts, S. Reid Co., Vic Chem Co., W. A. Jamieson, Wells Fargo Co.

Personal.

D. Healy, United States commissioner of Immigration at Vancouver, is registered at the Vernon hotel. In speaking of the Natal Act, to be put in force for the first time on the arrival of the **Empress** to-day, and which allows the exclusion of Japanese from Canada, he said he was an interested onlooker of the attempt to exclude the little brown men from this country, and felt that the interests of British Columbia and of the northwestern states were common in the treatment of this great question. Speaking in regard to the proposal of Bittner to apply the act against the Chinese, he said that "the Natal Act could hardly apply to that class. He thought the Chinese would be exempt from the operation of the act, as the parliament of Canada had already fixed the terms upon which the Chinese should enter Canada. He said that it did not seem the intent of the provincial legislature to include the Chinese when they made the Natal Act law. He presumed that it was recognized that the entrance of Chinese into Canada through this port has been fixed by the parliament of Canada. He felt confident that whatever action is taken by the parliament of British Columbia and sustained by the courts of the Dominion in regard to this question would be studied with great interest by the United States congress, now in session at Washington, D. C., with an eye to similar legislation."

The following came over from Vancouver last evening: G. A. Wood, formerly of this city; Miss Gertrude Wood, Miss Louise Matthews, Mrs. Gower, Mrs. Snyder, Mrs. Taylor, Mr. J. Taylor, G. F. Hicks, Jr., and J. F. Collier. They are here for the purpose of assisting the members of the Metropolitan Methodist church choir in the rendition of "The Holy City" this evening.

The following, all of Chemainus and employees of the Chemainus mill, arrived in the city the other day and registered at the Dominion hotel: H. Warren, G. Carlson, M. Peron and H. P. Gordon. The Chemainus mill, they say, has closed down for a month.

Colin C. Brown and wife, who have just returned from a trip to Southern California, arrived in the city yesterday and registered at the Victoria hotel. Mr. Brown visited all, or almost all, the important cities of that state, and is very much pleased with his trip.

Among those registered at the Driford hotel are Mr. and Mrs. John Douglas. Mr. Douglas is a grandson of the late Sir James Douglas, and arrived from England the other day with his bride, joining his mother at the Driford hotel.

H. Collister, inspector of hulls; P. McDermott, G. O. Hinton and J. H. B. McKelvey, were among the Victorians who came over from the Mainland last evening.

Joel A. Broadwell, of Salt Spring Island, is at the Dominion. He is in the city for the purpose of purchasing a consignment of goods for his store on that island.

Mrs. Hutchison will leave this evening for southern California by the steamer **Walla Walla**, for the purpose of visiting friends.

G. H. Nelson, of Paisley, Ont., arrived in Victoria on Sunday evening, and his latest in the Times reported that he had been elected to the House of Commons for the riding of Victoria, B. C., January 8th, 1901.

Mrs. Kane and the Misses Kane left by the steamer **Rosalia** last evening for Seattle on their way East.

Isaac Cathcart and wife, of Cathcart, Washington, are staying at the Victoria hotel.

H. H. Scoville and J. Molera, both of San Francisco, are guests at the Dominion hotel.

G. H. Ramsay, of Vancouver, is in the city. He is a guest at the New England.

S. F. Mackenzie is in the city. He is registered at the Driford.

A. M. Pound, of Vancouver, is staying at the Victoria hotel.

Mrs. Croft was an arrival from Vancouver last evening.

J. Carigan, of Port Angeles, is a guest at the Driford hotel.

A. Heston, of Nanaimo, is a guest at the Driford.

Miss Smith, of Vancouver, is in the city.

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VANCOUVER ISLAND MINING & REALTY INVESTMENT AG'Y, LD
35 FORT STREET.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE AND EFFECTS OF ELIZABETH WATKINS, DECEASED.
Notice is hereby given that all persons having any claims against the estate of Elizabeth Watkins, deceased, late of the City of Victoria, British Columbia, are hereby required to send statements of their claims, duly verified, to Caroline Humphreys, executor of the estate of the said Elizabeth Watkins, at her late residence, 105 MEARS STREET, IN THE CITY OF VICTORIA, on or before the 15th day of February next, after which date the executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the said Elizabeth Watkins among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they have then had notice, and that the said executor will not be liable for the assets of any part thereof so distributed to any persons of whose claim the said executor have not had notice at the time of distribution.
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Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 9th day of January, 1901.
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